

PROGRESS MADE IN GIRLS' ATHLETICS

First Women's Gym Classes Were Held Ten Years Ago—Director Secured in 1915

GIRLS HAVE COMPETED IN LARGE LIST OF SPORTS

A visitor to Holmes Field, when the women students are having a gymnasium class, would see a very different sight from that which might have been witnessed about ten years ago when the first gymnasium classes were held in the Army under Mr. Lewis. About that time interest in tennis and basketball also was aroused, and athletes assumed a definite, though small, place in the girls' college work.

There have been varying changes in the development of athletics, each one representing the improvement possible in view of existing limitations. In 1915 a progressive step was made when a woman instructor was secured. This first athletic director has been followed by four other teachers, each of whom has added some new feature to the work. Basketball, tennis, hockey, volleyball, golf, baseball and track constitute the list of sports in which the girls have competed. At one time fencing was also on this list, and now soccer has been added.

While each year an effort is made to improve athletics, there is little progress which can be made with present facilities. During the winter, when the work must be carried on inside, many girls are kept from participating in athletics because of the few hours in which the Army is available. This makes it considerably more difficult to maintain interest and enthusiasm among the girls.

Another great drawback is the lack of any competition with outside schools. Class teams are formed and inter-class games played, but this develops only class rivalry. After all class games have been played, variety teams in each sport are chosen, but here is encountered one of the limitations. The variety teams have no opportunity to play outside-games which would be a big factor in developing permanent enthusiasm and a decided progressive step.

Just as was said ten years ago when athletics for women students were first instituted, hopes are still being fostered for real advancement in this line of work. Along with the plans for a Great Penn State are plans for a physical education building for women, which will provide necessary equipment for the realization of these hopes.

JUNIORS ELECT CARNEGIE SCHOLARSHIP CANDIDATES

At the last meeting of the Junior class the following members were elected from the first quarter of the class as candidates for the Louise Carnegie and John W. White scholarships: W. C. Cahoun, R. H. Suds, Miss Dorothy Brandon, Miss Hezetta Sticksman, T. S. Barber, R. P. Meers, E. R. Collins, H. B. Steale, Miss Frances Gager, Miss Grace Glance, Miss Margaret Jones, Miss Marion Jones, Miss A. E. Hachnio, J. S. Frock, D. A. Wieland, Miss Esther Byerly, J. A. Parthemore, T. V. Palmer, O. H. Knapp, Miss P. M. Finchbaugh, C. I. MacGuffie, P. W. Krise, Miss M. E. Rieger, Miss Weston.

TEXAS U. STUDENTS FORBIDDEN USE OF CARS

Students at the University of Texas who took cars back to college with them this fall have been requested by the President of the University to take their "mobile" home. An order was passed last spring forbidding undergraduates the privilege of having cars while at college, and the rule is to be rigidly enforced.

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PENN STATE APPLE SHOW IS PLANNED

Pomology Students Arranging Exhibit of College Grown Fruit for October Twentieth

ALUMNI ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN CONTEST

The pomology students of the Department of Horticulture will stage an Apple Show in room 100 Horticulture Building on Alumni Homecoming Day which is observed this year on the twentieth of October. More than one hundred varieties of apples, grown in the college orchards, will be displayed, together with the standard sorts in various types of commercial packages.

There will be exhibits illustrating the different phases of Pennsylvania apple growing, ranging all the way from the planting of the tree to the harvesting of the crop. The students who are taking the course in Systematic Pomology have the burden of making most of the displays for this exhibit, but all the other Horticulture students are lending a hand in the work.

Feature for Alumni

A special feature of the show will be the Alumni Contest. This is open only to alumni and former students of the college who are now engaged in fruit growing. Substantial premiums have been offered by the Department of Horticulture in each of the following classes:

Class 1—The best plate of apples, any variety.
Class 2—The best commercial package of apples, containing not less than one peck and not more than one bushel.
Class 3—The best display of apples, having not less than twelve packages and not more than two packed bushels.

Copies of the premium list have been sent to more than one hundred and fifty alumni and former students who are now fruit growers. Many favorable replies, have been received already and all have evinced a keen interest in this horticultural display. The show will be used as a practical for the class in Systematic Pomology.

Visitors to the show will have an opportunity to purchase some of the fine apples grown under the surveillance of the Department of Horticulture. Approximately four hundred bushels have been packed and set aside for this purpose. Sweet cider which has been made from the college apples will also be on sale at this time.

Big Flower Display

The Landscape Gardening and Floriculture students of the Horticulture Department will stage a display of ornamentals, illustrating some of the principles of landscape designing and the most effective arrangement of flowers. Native out-of-doors materials will be used as well as green house plants in this display which will be held in room 105 Horticultural Building.

The department is offering a prize to the student who stages the most effective arrangement of cut flowers. This prize will be keenly contested for, so there is expected that several extraordinary arrangements will be in place at the show. Both exhibits will be open Friday afternoon and all day Saturday.

COUNTRY LIFE CLUB TO GATHER FOR REHEARSAL

The Country Life Club will hold its second regular meeting tonight in room 100 Hort. The program includes a short history of the Little Theatre movement and a discussion by the members.

Before the regular meeting there will be a rehearsal of the songs that are to be sung by the members at the Spring Mills Community Day at Spring Mills next Friday. All members are asked to be present at a quarter to seven.

PENN STATE ORGANIZES FARMERS' POTATO CLUB

Farmers Are Eligible After Having Produced 400 Bushels of Tubers Per Acre

A "400-bushel" potato club has recently been organized throughout the state in order to stimulate potato improvement and more economical production. Membership in this club is limited to those Pennsylvania farmers who have raised four hundred or more bushels of potatoes on a single acre.

The club was in existence last year but operated on a more limited scale than is expected this year. To become a member of this club a farmer called upon his county agent and has his acre measured and the yield certified. If his yield is found to contain the required amount, he is made a member of this club and in addition is awarded a gold badge in the form of a keystone with his name and the yield per acre inscribed on the back. These medals are being donated by the Pennsylvania and Maryland Joint Stock Land Bank, of Harrisburg, of which Fred Rasmussen, former Secretary of Agriculture in Pennsylvania, is president. The man who has the highest yield per acre becomes president of the club and the next highest secretary. It is interesting to note that last year forty farmers were members of this club. The highest yield per acre so far this year was made by the College farms, on which were raised as high as 438 bushels per acre. It is doubtful if this record will be equalled this year. This yield is another indication of the efficiency of the Agricultural Department at Penn State and shows the beneficial results of scientific farming.

ENGINEERS WILL HOLD CIDER FEED TOMORROW

At the regular meeting of the student chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers which was held last Wednesday, final plans were made for the annual cider feed to be held tomorrow evening in the Engineering "A" at seven o'clock.

A special invitation has been extended to the new men in the Sanitary and Civil Engineering schools and a novel plan has been devised by the committee to have everyone get acquainted with the men in their department. The entertainment program, which carries some special features, has been arranged by C. T. Gunnalus '24 while the refreshments and smokes are being cared for by G. W. Moore '25.

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"PREXY" THOMAS, SPEAKS AT HORTICULTURE PICNIC

With President J. M. Thomas, Dr. Sparks and Dean Watts as the leading speakers, the Horticulture students held their annual picnic last Thursday evening in the greenhouse. Between the hours of five and seven o'clock, it was originally planned to have the picnic on the Hooper farm, but on account of the cold weather the location was changed to the greenhouse.

On their arrival at the greenhouse, the future fruit growers formed in a line and were served by the wives of the Horticulture staff members. The dinner, composed of apple pie, ice cream, cider, grapes, and all varieties of apples was enough to appease even the most fastidious picnicer.

After everyone had finished eating, Dr. S. W. Fletcher, head of the department of Horticulture, took the part of toastmaster and forthwith introduced the several members of the Horticulture staff. Professors F. N. Fagan and C. E. Myers were then presented with a token of appreciation by the students who were under them during the late summer season.

President Thomas was introduced as one of the main speakers of the evening, and after a short talk, Dr. Sparks presented The ex-president of the college lived up to his reputation of being an excellent speaker in his brief informal talk to the horticulturists. Dean Watts, as the final speaker, completed the program arranged for the evening.

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DEAN R. S. WATTS VISITS MICHIGAN LIME QUARRIES

Trip on Great Lakes Is Made in Fast Freighter—Stop Made at Buffalo, N. Y.

Dean R. L. Watts of the School of Agriculture returned to State College last Tuesday afternoon from an extended trip to Buffalo and the Great Lakes region. The dean was accompanied by his wife on most of the journey.

The first stop made by Dean Watts was at Buffalo, New York where the annual convention of the Vegetable Growers' Association of America was in session. A contest in judging of vegetables by junior commercial gardeners between the ages of twenty and twenty-eight was a feature of this convention, and the dean had the double pleasure of watching both a Penn State man and a very close relative win first honor. This winner was Dean Watts' own son, Gilbert S. Watts, '18, a graduate from the Department of Horticulture. To win this prize, which was a handsome gold medal, the younger Watts had to beat out some of the best vegetable judges in the country.

From Buffalo, Dean Watts went by way of the Great Lakes to examine the quarries of the Michigan Limestone and Chemical Company, located at Caldeite, Michigan. The trip to Caldeite was made on one of the limestone company's fastest freighters, carrying 10,000 tons of stone and this proved an added experience and thrill for the Penn State dean.

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DAIRY JUDGING TEAMS LEAVE FOR SYRACUSE

Six Penn State Students Entered in Annual National Dairy Show Judging Contest

The National Dairy Show, which is being held at Syracuse, N. Y. from October fifth to thirteenth, is attracting considerable attention among agricultural students at Penn State, due to the size of the exhibit, and to the fact that Penn State has two teams, a Dairy Products Judging team and a Dairy Cattle Judging team entered in several events.

This show has always been held in the Middle West, and since this will mark the first time for it to be held in the East, it is expected that many people will attend. Permits are being granted by the Agricultural Department to all students who wish to attend, and already thirty-nine have signified their intention of doing so. The Dairy Products Judging team which will enter into a contest with similar teams from several of the large Eastern Colleges, is made up of Wilbur Selpt '24, John Coldren '25 and L. L. Hu '24, the alternate being W. R. Willett '24.

The Dairy Cattle Judging team is composed of V. K. Heckle '24, M. P. Saponis '24 and W. F. Horst '24 and is in charge of Professor W. H. Martin. Both teams have left for Syracuse and the outcome of the contests in which they are entered will be announced in a later issue of the COLLEGIAN.

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